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In re Application of :
PARKINSON, David :
Application No.: 10/553,080 : DECISION ON
PCT No.: PCT/GB04/01351 :
Int. Filing Date: 31 March 2004 : PETITION UNDER
Priority Date: 10 April 2003 :
Attorney Docket No.: DPS-030807 PET-1013US : 37 CFR 1.47(b)
For: FILTRATION APPARATUS :

This is a decision on applicant's Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(b), filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 05 December 2007.

BACKGROUND

On 05 October 2007, the Office mailed Decision On Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(b), dismissing applicant's petition without prejudice.

On 05 December 2007, applicant submitted this renewed petition.

DISCUSSION

A petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g), (2) factual proof that the inventor refuses to execute the application or cannot be reached after diligent effort, (3) a statement of the last known address of the inventor, (4) an oath or declaration by the 37 CFR 1.47(b) applicant on behalf of and as agent for the non-signing inventor, (5) proof that the 37 CFR 1.47(b) applicant has sufficient proprietary interest in the application, and (6) a showing that such action is necessary to preserve the rights of the parties or to prevent irreparable damage.

Items (1), (2), (3), (4) and (6) were previously satisfied. Applicant states the last known mailing address of Mr. David Parkinson as Arodené, Walton-in-Gordano; Clevedon, North Somerset BS21 7AR; United Kingdom.

Item (5) has now been met. The assignments that establish the chain of title for this invention have been recorded.

CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, applicant's petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) is **GRANTED**.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(b), a notice of the filing of this application will be forwarded to the nonsigning inventor at his last known address of record.

A notice of the filing of the application under 37 CFR 1.47(b) will be published in the Official Gazette.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of Patent Application Processing to continue national stage processing of the application, including accordation of a 35 U.S.C. §371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date of 23 February 2007.

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Dear Mr. Parkinson

You are named as an inventor in the above-captioned United States national stage application, filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.47(b) and 35 U.S.C. 118. Should a patent be granted, you will be designated as an inventor.

As a named inventor, you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or to make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent agent or attorney presenting written authorization from you. The counsel for the applicant is listed below. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

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